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PADUCAH'S ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST PICKED UP WHILE PASSING THROUGH THE CITY.

ROUNDS OF MERRY HAPPENINGS

Gaieties in Societies Realms--Weddings and Their Anniversaries--Interesting News Gathered From Other Points.

Paducah, Ky., Special.—Dr. V. J. Davis our popular young new comer to the city, made a flying trip to Nashville, Tenn., last Saturday on business. Prof. Lane, of the Lane institute at Jackson, Tenn., is in the city. Please see the agent for a copy of The Freeman's holiday number at once. J. H. Halsey is doing a big business in the insurance line here. The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Robinson was a scene of pleasure last Thursday evening, the occasion being the first anniversary of their marriage. The hours were from 8 to 1; their rooms were filled with handsomely dressed ladies and gentlemen. Conversation and elegant refreshments made the evening one long to be remembered. They received many handsome presents. Mrs. Eliza Powell, Miss Sudie Harris and Fred Powell, of Henderson, Ky., will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. Jackson to attend the Myers-House nuptials. Miss Willie Morehead of Mayfield, Ky., accompanied by her mother, spent Sunday in the city. There was a certain young man sent for his girl from Lawrence James' cafe last Sunday night, but she refused to come on account of being ill. We hope she is better now. Tobe Jones, of St. Louis, Mo., is in the city with the Str. Lillie of the U. S. lighthouse service. Say young lady, as you are a stranger here, you must be careful about making engagements and going out. Adolf Thomas is holding the house at Frank Reynold's saloon, and extends an invitation to all his friends to call. Read The Freeman, only 5 cents. C. O. Chrice, of Wickliff, was in the city on business last week looking well. Mrs. Will Jackson, of Mayfield, Ky., was in the city last week, attending the trial of her husband, who is in trouble here. James McChesner, who has been seriously ill for some time, is much improved. Willie McChesner is not much improved. as it was stated a short time since. Mrs. Cora Givens is improving, after several days illness; she lost her infant. Henry Alexander, of south 8th street, who had his legs mashed at the waves last week is out again. John Wagner is on the sick list. Powell, don't hold that dog of yours, as he can't fight. The Big 4 brass band has some very sweet selections which they are rehearsing for their concert on or about Dec. 26 at Odd-Fellows hall; watch for bills at an early date, and read The Freeman as they do. Mrs. Ben Parker, of south 7th street, who has been dangerously ill for some time, is out again. I wonder why a certain young man of 7th street doesn't quit that staying out late o' nights. Bill you know who I mean. Ladies calling telephone No. 324 should be careful as David Pitman answers the 'phone occasionally. Newt. Turley and Miss Lomia Parker were married Monday, Dec. 3; The Freeman wishes them success. Thomas Lewis has been suffering from rheumatism. Mrs. Eliza Richardson is very ill. At the prize waltz Monday the 3 inst., L. Z. Brown and Miss Hettie Hoard won a handsome set of dishes; they being the most graceful waltzers. Mrs. Helen Urquhart, of west Washington street, expects to spend the Christmas at home in Louisville. James Thomas has removed to 1217 Jones street. It is hoped that the Choral society will be a success. Its meeting night is Friday weekly. George White and Alonzo Ashford composed a part of the crew of the Str. Fred A. Blanks which arrived at New Orleans on the 4 inst. S. R. Gholston and Alvin Logan, of Meharry college, and Jas. A. G. Cotter, of Fisk university, Nashville, Tenn., send regards to all. Miss Lizzie Walker, of Kansas City, is visiting her cousin, Miss Addie Howell, of Plunkett street. Nelson Owens is a little disabled. Miss Estella Stokes, of Memphis, Tenn., will spend the holidays in the city.

Newsy Notes.

Taylor, Texas, Special.—The Central A. M. E. Conference convened in this city on the 28th of November, and continued until Sunday night. There were a great number of preachers and visitors who attended the conference. The Taylorites joined Rev. Howard and his soldiers to entertain the conference. The gathering was under the ruling gavel of Bishop Saulters. The Pleasure Seeker Club of Taylor gave a social in honor of visiting young ladies of Bastrope and other cities, Saturday night, Nov. 1, at Masonic Hall. The guests from Bastrope were Miss P. McNeil, Misses C. Hodge and F. Hodge, Laura Herring, H. Jones. Of Taylor—Misses Maud Sampson, Jessie Waters, Birthney Robinson, Louise Greating, Mattie Evans. The following gentlemen were present: Nathan Williams, John Nelson, Ben. Waters, Chas. Waters, H. Hines, Z. Poole, John Tanner, of Brenham, Rube Jones, of Bastrope. A. F. Ross and Warn Blackshear made a flying trip to Brenham Saturday night. Chas. Waters has accepted a position as cotton sampler for a Milroy cotton firm. The A. M. E. Church was elaborately prepared to receive the conference. If there is a preacher that deserves credit it is Rev. Howard. Miss Pickett and Mr. Davis were married at the First Baptist Church, Wednesday night, Nov. 28. Both of them are society people of this place. The church was crowded to its capacity. Miss Hamplinton presided at the organ. Rev. Smith officiated. If you want The Freeman see John Tanner, agent. Subscribe now and start with the new year, but you must pay because that is biz. Dr. A. J. Moore is now in your city. He is a colored man. Office in Thomason building. They looked for him last Saturday night, but he did not get there. Mrs. T. Allcorn, of Brenham is in the city. John Nelson had an accident at the Press, last week, receiving a bad cut just below the eye by a wild band. Readers of The Freeman are Chas. Waters, Miss Maud Sampson, Ben. Waters, Messrs. Hall, Neale Buckhanan, A. F. Ross, Mrs. Gibson.

An Enjoyable Day.

Holly Springs, Miss., Special.—The Rev. W. C. Clay reports a very nice time indeed on the 23 ult. S. S. Pascal left for his home at Marianna, Ark., where he begun his school on the 2 inst, and will return in the spring. The students of Rust were highly pleased with the Thanksgiving program. It began with our usual Thanksgiving dinner, and at 2:20 o'clock we all assembled in front of Rust hall, and after devotional exercises, conducted by the president, a poem was read by L. A. Pascal, entitled "Planting a Tree;" then followed the tree planting, and the match games of base ball and basket ball; first between 1st and 2nd 9s of the young women and then between the young men. The regular monthly joint program followed by the monthly social was rendered Friday night, Nov. 30, with Miss Jeanette Coleman in the chair. The citizens and all present expressed themselves as highly pleased. The program was as follows: Quartette, Annie Davis, Alma Lashly, Adella Valaint, Maggie Houston; declamation, "The Battle of Neasby," Malachi C. Collins; recitation, "Papa was stumped," Maggie Shaw; solo, "A Bird from O'er the Sea," Mary Ross; a mock trial, J. B. Redmond et al.

News of Importance.

Ocean Springs, Miss., Special.—Thanksgiving services were held at all the leading churches on the 29th. Miss Florence Bardwell, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mrs. W. L. Carter, has been appointed teacher in the Ocean Springs high school. A better selection could not have been made. Miss Victoria N. Wallace has resigned her job as assistant postmistress in the Ocean Springs postoffice. Miss Asoleone Smith, of Mobile, has been appointed in the Ocean Springs postoffice to fill the vacancy caused by Miss V. N. Wallace. That wedding that was much talked of has not come off yet. Letters held by a certain man of the town promises to make things look bad for some one. Better go slow, young lady, or you will be sorry for your actions. The work on the new M. E. Church will soon begin. Prof. W. O. Smyer wears bright smiles upon his face, and we are informed that it is caused by a donation to his school by Mrs. Fields, of New York, of a new heater and black boards for the school. Postmaster Keys left for Hot Springs, Ark., on the 3d, in search of health. Miss Deceiver will spend her Christmas in Mobile. The Freeman is very popular in this section.

Tuskegee Notes.

Tuskegee's exhibit at the Alabama State fair received a gold medal diploma, which is the highest character of awards given by the officers of the fair. The Endowment Fund of the institution now amounts to $184,050. Principal Washington is in the north endeavoring to raise the necessary amount to reach the $500,000, which he desires. A northern lady sent Principal Washington a check this week for $4,000, which is to be used in the erection of the new hospital.

Prof. A. E. Meyzeek,

Principal of the Eastern School, Louisville, Ky.

VICKSBURG NEWS.

Vicksburg, Miss., Special.—The 20th Century club gave a most brilliant reception at the residence of Mrs. Robison, Wednesday Nov. 27; the guest of honor being Miss Lulu Thomas and Hince Jackson, of Natchez, Miss. Those present were: Misses Lulu Thomas, of Natchez, Minnie Tyer, Lillie Nelson, Annie Johnson, Jessie Robison, Lillie Gillispie, Artimese Robison; Messrs. Hince Jackson, Parker Matthews, Frank Arnold, Thomas Buckner, Edward H. Sterling, George Rice, Manuel Leonard, Wil Owens, Eugene Cullins. Oscar Blowe, a very popular young man here, is employed at Berdon Brothers on Washington street. Oscar is up to date. A very pretty home wedding was celebrated Nov. 28 at the home of the bride's mother, 1110 S. Washington street; the contracting parties being Miss Rosie Johnson and Mr. Theodore Thomas, Rev. Amos Johnson officiating. The bridesmaid was Miss Birdie Robins, best man, Mr. James Johnson. The presents were numerous and valuable. The Freeman joins the many friends in extending its best wishes for a bright future. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas are pleasantly located at their home, 310 China street. Lookout for the holiday number of The Freeman; it will be full of news, and only 5c a copy. Louie Garret is proprietor of a first-class fish market on Jackson market. The Freeman is on sale every Saturday morning; O. U. Taylor, agent. Rev. R. J. Temple, D. D., and missionary of the American Baptist Publication Society, was in the city last week. He preached at Bethel A. M. E. church at 11 o'clock a. m., Nov. 25, and at Jackson street Baptist church at 3:30 p. m., and at King Solomon Baptist church at 7:30 p. m. Rev. Temple is a man of whom any race would be proud, as he is a fine pulpit orator. Lookout for the holiday number of The Freeman; O. U. Taylor, agent.

White City Items.

Chicago, Ill., Special.—Rev. Lane and congregation at the Zion A. M. E. Church has cleared the church of debt and made wonderful improvements. Englewood will be enabled to boast of this church being one of the neatest in the city. Messrs. U. Smith, John G. Jones, J. E. Lewis and T. W. Brown have been instrumental in opening the doors to labor organizations in this city. Many Afro-Americans are being employed by the R. R. companies, the packers and other companies. Manual lodge No. 31 U. B. F. listened to their special sermon at the A. M. E. Church, Englewood. A large congregation listened to the instructive sermon. The sermon delivered by the Rev. Lane, of the U. B. F., at 62d and Elizabeth streets, Sunday afternoon, depicting the good accomplished by societies in promoting the colored race, easily demonstrates our brother's capabilities and places him in the ranks of the noted pastors of the day. The subject of the sermon has been one of the long standing necessities, requisite to stir our people to come to the front, and instill in the hearts of the young generation to fight for what legally and morally belongs to them.

MEMPHIS NOTES.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.—J. T. Tunstill has recently opened a barber shop at 55 Beale street, successor to John Irving. All newly modeled equipments. Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Saddler are blessed by the appearance of a sweet girl baby. The little stranger was welcomed to that happy household Dec. 2. Miss Bernie Watkins, of Tuscumbia, Ala., has been visiting her cousin, Miss Minnie Settles, for the past week. Miss Julia Ross, a charming society belle of Tuscumbia, Ala., is the guest of Mrs. James Allen, 885 Muisa ave. Isaac Simmons a noted gentleman of Tuscumbia, paid his Memphis friends a visit last Sunday. The Young Ladies' Guild club presented Avery chapel with three very handsome chairs for the pulpit. They deserve much credit. Miss Minnie A. Settles entertained the Young Ladies' Guild club of Avery chapel on Friday at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson, on Wellingt n street; refreshments were served in grand style. Peter Montgomery, who is a well known society leader, is a cash customer of The Freeman. He is working hard for the advancement of his race, being president of the S. Memphis 16th Social club, and the Memphis 400; vice president of the 20th Century Athletic club and also a member of the J. T. P., No. 1. He says every young man should subscribe for The Freeman, as it is the best colored paper in the country, and should be well patronized. The Greater Memphis athletic club will celebrate emancipation by giving a banquet. Miss Ethel Ross and William Prior were married Nov. 28; Rev. Flagg officiating. The Memphis Progressive Association gave their annual entertainment Nov. 29; A. Green, president; Wm. Dixon, secretary; W. A. Adams, of Indianapolis, Ind., is in the city, where he will remain until after the holidays, then goes to Hot Springs, Ark. Miss Marie Massie, of Canton, Miss., is in the city. The Rev. Clebe, 200 Beale street, is a dealer in fruits and fancy groceries. Thomas Reeves and Miss Sarah Nichols were entwined around the branch of holy matrimony Nov. 29. Rev. Flagg performed the ceremony. The bride wore a white silk tulle veil, white organdy and lace over taffeta silk. A large number of their friends were present. Miss Bell Williams won the prize at St. Paul Baptist church; the attraction being a paper hat fair; she being the wearer of the prettiest hat.

Bin the Babbler.

Wichita, Kans., Special.—B. Fisher has been called home by the death of his father; we sympathize with him in his bereavement. There was a grand o'possum feast at Peerless hall on the 12 inst. The performance of the great Johnson's minstrels was a financial success, as well as it was a grand performance and every member acquitted him and herself with great credit. Brown in his song, "Every Race Has a Flag But a Coon," stormed the house. Dean, in "Just Because She Made Them Goo Goo Eyes," was compelled to respond to an encore and rendered a mirth provoking song of his own, "Old King Cole," and received a handsome floral design from his many friends. The company left for a week of one night stands, and returned looking 40 to the good, also with "Clide," which is a sign of good biz. Bud Bostwick taken W. A. Dean's place on end while out, and stormed the towns in Kansas. Hickerson and Caney also are making the public know them, for they are certainly doing good work. Mrs. M. Bostwick has organized a company of juvenile troubadours, and they will make their first appearance on or about the 21 inst. They are now rehearsing under the direction of W. A. Dean.

Personal Items.

Beaumont, Tex., Special.—Miss Katie Snow, of Louisiana, is in Beaumont visiting her sister, Mrs. S. Simkin. Rev. Leon Trap, of Austin, is in the city this week. M. Geanry and wife came over from Orange Sunday, and returned Monday. J. V. Lewis returned from New York last Sunday. Miss Daisy Alvin has returned. T. T. Benson is our first-class baker. Kattie Deblanc is better this week. We want more readers for The Freeman, leave orders at No. 654 Wall street.

A FEW GOOD THINGS

That Will Be Found in the Coming Holiday Number.

"Negro Labor in the South," by Prof. W. H. Councill, President of Agricultural and Mechanical College, Normal, Alabama.

"How Booker T. Washington Won the World," by Hon. Richard W. Thompson, Washington, D. C.

"The Disfranchisent of Negroes," by Dr. J. M. Henderson, Philadelphia, Pa.

"Major's Christmas Melange," by Dr. M. A. Majors, Waco, Texas.

"The Liberties of the American Citizen," by Lieut. Henry O. Flipper, of Santa Fe, N. M.

"Colored Waiters, Past, Present and Future — Culinary Science," by W. Forrest Cozart, Cleveland, Ohio.

"The Negro and the Stage, by J. Ed Green, of Scott's Refined Minstrels.

An article from Hon. H. P. Cheatham, Recorder of Deeds, Washington, D. C.

"Traveling in Europe; Difference in Treatment of Respectable People of Color by Englishmen and Frenchmen Compared to our White American," by Hon. C. H. Brooks, Philadelphia, Pa.

"The Business Side of College Management," by Prof. W. S. Scarborough, Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, Ohio.

The Dangers of Self.

Dangerous as the devil is, dangerous as worldly amus ments are, the most dangerous enemy we often have to encounter walks in our own shoes. That cunning, artful, smooth tongued heart devil, self, is the foe that needs the most constant watching and subjects us to the worst defeats. The flesh lusteth against the spirit and the spirit against the flesh, and these are contrary the one to the other. Paul had a tremendous battle along these lines, beating down his carnal nature by hard blows, and the old hero was able at last to shout: "I have fought a good fight. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness."—Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler, D. D., in Christian Intelligencer.

William Bradley is making a grand record as headwaiter at the Menger Hotel, San Antonio, Texas, where he has been employed for several years. Mr. Bradley was formerly headwaiter at the Windsor Hotel, Dallas, Texas.

R. J. Johnson is serving his second year as headwaiter at the Francioli Hotel. That hotel is doing a good business, while he and his efficient help is at the helm.

GREATER NEW YORK

A WEEKLY RECORD OF THE UP-TO-DATE DOINGS OF COLORED AMERICANS

OF NEW YORK AND BROOKLYN,

Counties of Westchester, Richmond and Queens--Jersey City, Newark, and Patterson, N. J., and all the towns Around New York City.

Greater New York, Special.—We have resumed our "Greater New York column," and it has come to stay. By carefully reading the same you will keep posted on the doings of our people in and around New York City for fifty miles. If you have a friend in this part of the world, whose whereabouts you do not exactly know, send that friend a letter directed in the care of A. M. Hodges, 82 Hull street, Brooklyn, N. Y., and the chances are "ten to one" the letter will reach your friend. If you contemplate visiting New York City write to A. M. Hodges if you wish a good boarding house or hotel; if you wish employment as a cook, butler, nurse, lady's maid, house girl, waiter or any other kind of "bread winners" job write to A. M. Hodges. The greatest social success of the season in Greater New York was the ninth annual grand masquerade carnival, given by the Lenox dancing class, J. Hoffman Woods, director, at Vaurna hall, 164 Atlantic ave., Brooklyn, on Thanksgiving night, Thursday, Nov 29, 1900. Music by Knight's orchestra. The success is due to the following committee: John Williams, J. Jenkins, Morse Oliver, Charles Jenkins, C. W. Pryaer, J. Hoffman Woods, director, Wm. F. Woods, manager. The Orphans' fair of the Brooklyn Howard Colored orphan asylum, held in Kuh's hall, Thanksgiving week, Rev. W. F. Johnson, Supt., was a success. Mrs. Margaret Hill (nee Ricard) of the class of '74 of Hampton college, died last week, and was buried with the highest society honors. Mrs. Hill was one of the few Negro women whose name "was not born to die." Under the pen name of "Fannie Fairfax" she wrote stories. You can procure copies of The Freeman of Miss Sadie Hodges at her residence, No. 82 Hull street, Brooklyn. Miss Emma Lake, of Norfolk, Va., is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. C. C. Marshall, of West 44th street, New York. Charles Baker, of Jersey City, who has been under the doctors' care for the past six weeks, is himself again. Lem. Chadwick, of 82 Hull street, Brooklyn, who also has been on the sick list for several weeks, has returned to business. Miss Essie Portlette, of Berkley, Va., is the guest of Miss Sadie Hodges, of Brooklyn. The Page brothers, of Rochester ave., Brooklyn, the well known musicians of Greater New York, have organized a brass and string band, which promises "to beat the band" with choice and select music this winter. The investigating committee of the "Society of the Sons," of N.Y., of which A. M. Hodges is chairman, has reported "progress," and look forward to an early completion of its task. Miss Mae Blake, of Flushing Borough of Queens, gave a social party to a select number of friends last Friday evening at her residence in that town. A full list of the places where The Freeman can be found in and around Greater New York will appear in this column next week.

Muncie News.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—Mrs. Williams of Anderson, is ill with rheumatism at the home of her nephew Warren Richardson of E. Jackson street. Mr. James Fugerson who sold out his place of business on S. Walnut street a few weeks ago, will open another resturant on East Main street. Mr. Lawrence White has resigned his position at Hotel Kirby. Mr. Arthur Ellis who has been ill for a few weeks is convalescent. The members of the A. M. E S S., will give a cantata during the holidays. The Tribe of Benjamin gave an old fashioned corn husking at the A. M. E. church Monday night. "The Greeners" will give an old folk concert and Rain-Bow social Jan 3, for benefit of the A. M. E. church. Murry, the son of J. M. Robbins, of East Charles street, is sick. Mr Arthur McCray, of Indianapolis, are in the city the guest of relatives. Mr. John Watkins of the capitol was in the city last week and spent a few day with his sister Mrs. Howard of South E. Bright street Mrs Anderson has returned after an extended visit in Ohio her old home.

TOM THE TATTLER,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

If money talks there must be moments when it indulges in a foreign tongue.

Jones:—"How did you like your Turkish bath?"

Brown:—"Not much. There was too much hot air."

White lies are falsehoods sugar-coated.

Misfortune has enveloped the Williams & Walker combination. Smallpox broke out in the company while it was playing an engagement in Pittsburg, necessitating the canceling of the play before its finish of the week, and the disbanding of the organization. This was the best colored company on the road, and is quite a loss to the profession. The show was "making good" in the east and was about to invade Chicago and the west when it's affliction came. Personally, I regret much being deprived of the opportunity of witnessing one of the performances of the "Sons of Ham," for, I believe, this is the only aggregation of color that has made any advancement, all the rest of our so-called up-to-date shows having deteriorated considerably.

Mr. Shipp wrote and staged the "Sons of Ham," while Mr. Cook looked after the musical interests; and there is a combination of brains that can not be surpassed even among the white profession.

The company has received some very complimentary notices from the eastern press, and I am told that even the splenetic Chicot, while belittling some of the leading characters, looked favorably on the play as a whole.

The Tattler extends his sympathy and best wishes to the promoters of the "Sons of Ham," and hopes that by this temporary misfortune they may be moved to even greater success.

Smallpox,—just think of it—has smashed the Williams & Walker company, while the "Hottest Coon in Dixie" company goes merrily on. Fate is a stern ruler and apparently at times leans to the side of injustice, I think.

CONVERSATION ON THE FRUIT STAND.

Miss Apple.—"Say, Mr. Pear, were you at the vaudeville theatre last night?"

Mr. Pear —"Yes, and you remember the Raw Peanuts that were on the stand last week? they are doing a turn there this week."

Miss Apple.—"Is that so; are they making a hit?"

Mr. Pear.—"No; they got roasted this morning."

THE MINE OF LIFE.

There is a mine called life
  Where great treasures unnumbered lay;
But you must work with vim and might—
  work with a spirit akin to play

In this mine the ambitions lay,
  Jewels, of costly worth and power,
Gained only by labor's ceaseless aid,
  Thro' ev'ry moment, minute, hour,

In failure's dross, sometimes they come:
  These precious jewels, solace to the mind
Be not discouraged; take way the dross;
  Your ambition see, pure refined.

As you toil in the Mine of life,
  Be not fretful or unwise.
Look on failure as ambition's cloak,
  To test our strength, comes in disguise.

A man full is very disgusting, but a house full is a very delightful sight, especially if salaries are in arrears.

Some people try to make a bluff go for brains. It is all right if it goes through; but, horrors! suppose their hands are called.

I think a prize fighter is over-fastidious when he refuses to marry a woman because she has black eyes.

Yesterday I saw a woman carrying a man across the street. I think Uncle Sam should pay her, for wasn't she carrying the male?

Probably the greatest drawback to a singer is the puffed-up, conceited consciousness, commonly called "swelled head," which most singers affect the moment they receive a little applause. And here I would like to say that although the applause is no doubt genuine, the goods delivered are counterfeit. It is the same as passing counterfeit money on an unsuspecting public. I mean by this that a big majority, almost all, of our singers will take a song and give it a counterfeit rendering, pass it off on an unsuspecting public and receive in change, good honest applause. Out of every fifty singers that bow to an audience, and here I mean our singers of color, about one will give a song the proper rendition. I remember one time asking one of our rip-roaring lady singers what certain figures on a piece of music meant, meaning thereby the metrenome marks, and I had a stitch in my side repressing laughter when she told me that she thought it was some secret way the publishers had of marking the price. She had just returned from a starring tour. She had been passing counterfeit money and receiving good money in exchange; no, that isn't what I mean. I mean she had been passing counterfeit singing and receiving good, honest applause in return. After all, it is about the same—"faking" the public. The piece was in Italian words, and, yes, she sang at it in Italian, but Great Shades of Dante! I never heard such damnable butchery perpetrated on a language in all my life before. I asked her if she had studied Italian; she replied no, and I simply smiled a sickly smile. The pianist that accompanied her was none other than George Francis McPherson, and of course "pin mosso" "andante cantabile" "Lento cantante" to him had a meaning, and he tried to observe them, but the songbird went through these movements with a bicycle rapidity, and at times the accompanist didn't know whether he was playing with his hands or feet, such a time did he have in keeping up with her. But I thought I was no longer for this old earth when my tuneless songbird told him that he didn't play a certain passage right. Here was a woman, called by her associates a good singer, and a musician because she could call the names of the notes and make a bluff at singing them, dictating to a man whose musical ability, compared to hers, is in the ratio of one million to nothing. This woman's conceited air was so sickening to me that I left the place.

This lady is a fair sample of our average singer. Although reveling in ignorant conceit they disport themselves as if all the musical lore in the world had a resting place in their little skulls. Theodore Thomas would be called down by those dear warbling creatures. Were he to tell one of them that such and such a passage was wrong and that they didn't know any more about singing than a pig does about Greek he would be mobbed.

I remember an incident that happened here last summer. A certain company was rehearsing and the chorus director, a very efficient man, knew that one of the lady singers, a conceited soprano, was singing wrong, but he said, before he would dare tell her, that he would rather join the British army and go and fight the Boers. A tired, much-abused public eventually let this woman down, and when last heard from was seeking domestic work.

Colored women, as a rule, have superior voices than the whites, but because they have good voices they should not try to spring up in a night to mushroom Pattis, Melbas, Schalchis, Fursch-Madis, etc. You can't sing a song properly unless you know music or had it drilled into you by one who does. To pick up a song and learn to sing it yourself unless you are grounded in musical knowledge is like trying to read Shakespeare before you can say your A B C's.

Now, singers, come down out off your bowers of ignorance, conceit and idleness, and say I am tired of passing counterfeit stuff, and by delving into the rudiments of music; say I will give the public the genuine article. Say I am tired of posing as a goddess of music when I am not a good abecedarian. Commence New Year's day for that is a good time to swear off bad habits.

Wanted: To know the address of a man who has no advice to give. I have a Christmas present for him.

Good morning, Mr. Tattler. How do you feel?

Not very well, I thank you. Last night I dreamed I was a member of the Hottest Coon in Dixie Company.

My lady singers may think I am persecuting them with my pen, but I am not. I simply try to point out to them how ridiculous it is to pose in swell-head conceit as great singers when, to indulge in a little spicy slang, they are not a "frazzling thing." I have only tried to stop the turgid stream of high-screeching, off-the-key, poor-time, I-know-every-thing style of singing that is so prevalent now-a-days. Ladies, when you learn to sing I will gladly walk a mile or two to hear you and give you the best write-up my humble pen is capable of. Bear this in mind, real prima donnas, like real orators, come about two to a generation, and govern yourselves accordingly.

TOM THE TATTLER.

Cotton culture in a German Colony of Central Africa will be supervised by a professor and several students from Tuskegee, Booker T. Washington's famous institution. A Cotton gin, press, engine and farming tools have already been forwarded.

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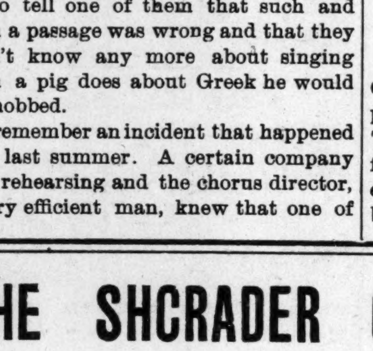

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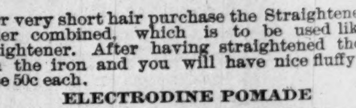

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Richard Butler, an eastern headwaiter, is in charge of the Arkansaw Club, Hot Springs, Ark., this season. It will be remembered that Frank Silvey has been in charge of the Arkansaw Club ever since he left the Galt House, Louisville, Ky., severa years ago.

Horace Hensley has recently celebrated his 40th year as headwaiter at Young's Hotel, Boston, Mass. Horace, old boy, you are a peach; send us your photo.

J. Milton is the affable second waiter at the Colonial Hotel, Cleveland, O.

It is rumored that Mr. E. M. Johnson, headwaiter at the Algonquin Hotel, Dayton, Ohio, has resigned; also that Col Leffler, the manager of the Algonquin, has resigned and will succeed Mr. C Sparrow as steward at the Hotel Beckel of that city.

Capt. A. Thomas, formerly headwaiter at the Vincennes Hotel, Chicago, is meeting with success at the Del-Prodo Hotel in that city as second waiter. Capt. Thomas will be remembered as the soldier headwaiter, having served in Cuba in the gallant Eighth Illinois Regiment.

George Wilson, who has become a permanent fixture as headwaiter at the Kirkwood Hotel, DesMoines, Iowa, is one of the few real successful colored headwaiters.

While in Chicago, during the campaign, Mr. Paul Lawrence Dunbar, the poet laurate of the Negro race, promised the editor of this column to write a poem on the colored waiter. Mr. Dunbar is the greatest poet of the 19th century, having the combined qualities of writing and reading his own works with success.

A colored man was recently refused accommodation at the Mills Hotel, N. Y. He brought suit for damage, and the judge ruled against him, saying that the colored man was not refused on account of color, but on account of his behavior. It being proven that he refused to leave the hotel before he was served. this the judge construed as bad behavior. With Tammany judges and police justice, law and order is a mockery in New York City.

Milt. Taylor is the efficient head bellman at the Weddell Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio.

As reported in these columns, some time ago, W. E Mu ray, a white headwaiter, formerly employed at the Russell House, Detroit, Mich., has been appointed headwaiter of the Park Hotel, Hot Springs, Ark. Mr. William Alexander (colored) has been headwaiter at the above hotel for the past season. It is reported that Mr. Alexander run a crew of seventy-five waiters with no other officer on the floor but himself. This reminds us that there is such a thing as overdoing a thing, as Mr. Murray will have a second and third waiter on the floor. Evidently Mr Alexander overdone the thing at the Park.

The "Hotel World" of Chicago, Ill., is about to issue a biograpical edition commemorating the close of the nineteenth and the opening of the twentieth centuries. In this edition the "Hotel World" will publish a brief biographical sketch of all hotel men, and their cuts will also be dispersed with the sketches. There will be a proprietor s department, manager's department, steward's department, headwaiter's department, chef and second cook's department and housekeeper's department. This is the first opportunity of its kind ever offered to the colored headwaiters, and, no doubt, many of them will avail themselves of the opportunity, as a copy of the World will be filed in every hotel for future reference.

The editor of this department is in receipt of a bill-of-fare of a Thanksgiving dinner, said to have been given by the headwaiter at the Hotel Rogge, Zanesville, Ohio, in honor of his waiters. The menu is as follows: Blue points a la Williams, shaved cabbage, reception flakes, blue label, shrimps Ce Gray, celery, radishes, olives, turkey, Wilder sauce, snowflake potatoes, Peaco banquet rolls, elderberry blossom, Johnson duck, Howard sauce, Ana Belle salad, sweet pickles, St. Henry punch, cold ham, Willie's Saratoga chips, Tate's cream cheese, oranges, salted peanuts, bananas, vanilla ice cream, a la Hilda chocolate cake, Queen Rose pie, tea, Pritchard coffee, milk, Rogge the Great cigars. On the reverse side of the menu is the toasts, as follows: "Colien," Kid Wilder, toastmaster; "From Maine to Spain," by Duke de Cabbage; "How Bad I Am," by Bob Williams; "144 Moves You Never Seen," by C. Gray; "Porterhouse Steak," by Alfred Pitchard; "My Frocktail Coat," by Henry Tate; "How My Sideburns Came," by William Tate. Such a banquet and menu as the above may be considered the proper thing in Zanesville, but it is safe to say that it will never become a society fad outside the suburbs of that city. In fact, the bill is neither funny nor does it show any literary taste. It is what we call, in hoteldom, "sloppy."

OUR HOLIDAY NUMBER.

A special feature of the coming Holliday Number will be our "Hotel Department," which will eclipse anything ever before given under this department. It will be brim-full of interesting facts and spicy comments, full of interest to every hotel man in the country. We desire to publish cuts and write-up of every prominent headwaiter and hotel man in the country. All matter for this department must be received by December 15th at the very latest.

R. H, Scott, formerly headwaiter at the Bowen Hotel, Boulder, Colorado, is now employed at the Terris Catering Company, Denver, Colorado. Mr. Scott writes:

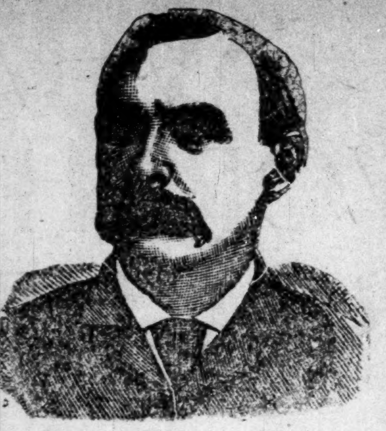
"The members of the Denver Club, which is largely composed of waiters. gave a minstrel show, last week, which was quite a success financially as well as socially, as it ended in a grand ball, in which every one participated, and we didn't go home 'til morning. S. H. Pool, a Kansas City knight of the tray, is in our city. M. E. Reeves, formerly of Kansas City, Mo., but now residing at Boulder, Colorado, married Miss Gertrude Clayton, who also resides in Kansas City, last week. They will make Boulder their future home, where Mr. Reeves is employed at the Hotel Bowen. J. O. Fair is now acting headwaiter at the Bowen. Robert Hill, headwaiter at the Windsor Hotel, this city, has held that position for three years, thus breaking the record for colored headwaiters in Denver. C. C. Lewis, headwaiter at the Albany, is becoming quite popular at that hostelry. Paul Moore, headwaiter at the National Hotel, Cripple Creek, Colorado, has taken advantage of a private trip given him by a broker who resided at the National, and as a consequence he now has a bank account of $11,000 cleared up on his operation."

J. O. Lee, formerly headwaiter at the De Sota Hotel, Savannah, Ga., and headwaiter for several seasons past at the Grand Union Hotel, Saratoga, N. Y., is headwaiter at the Union League Club during the winter in Brooklyn, New York.

Al. Roberts, who recently took charge of the dining room at the Knutsford Hotel, Salt Lake City, Utah, is making quite a hit in the Mormon city. We hope that Al. will not become a Mormon Elder.

E. T. Montgomery, headwaiter at the Oriental Hotel, Dallas, Tex., has organized a good crew of waiters at that hostelry, and maintains excellent discipline over them. The Oriental is the finest hotel in the Southwest and is owned by the Anhueser-Busch Brewing Company. James Roberts is the efficient second waiter at the Oriental. Wm. Humphrey and Hudson Raines are the two day watch captains, Alex. Riche, time keeper, and Wm. Johnson, "Jay Gould," hatman. Roberts is an Alabama boy, and is well known in Chicago and other Western cities. He was also headwaiter at the Oriental for about eight months, a few years ago, succeeding Mr. Saunders. Wm. Humphrey is an old Dallas boy, and at one time his father owned the very ground upon which the Oriental and the City Hall of Dallas now stand, as well as other property which is now worth millions. Hudson Raines was for several years headwaiter at the St. Cloud Hotel in Dallas, but for the last five years has been a valuable employe at the Oriental. Wm. Johnson, the hat man at the Oriental, is well known among the waiters throughout Texas as "Jay Gould" on account of his manipulating large sums of money. The Oriental employs thirty waiters.

Andrew Alexander, the popular waiter of Memphis, Tenn., is now headwaiter at the Waldorf Cafe. He is very kind and gentlemanly, and all the waiters under him are well treated.



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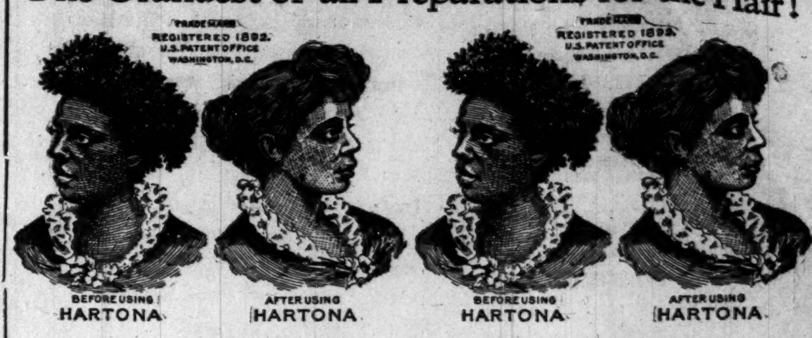

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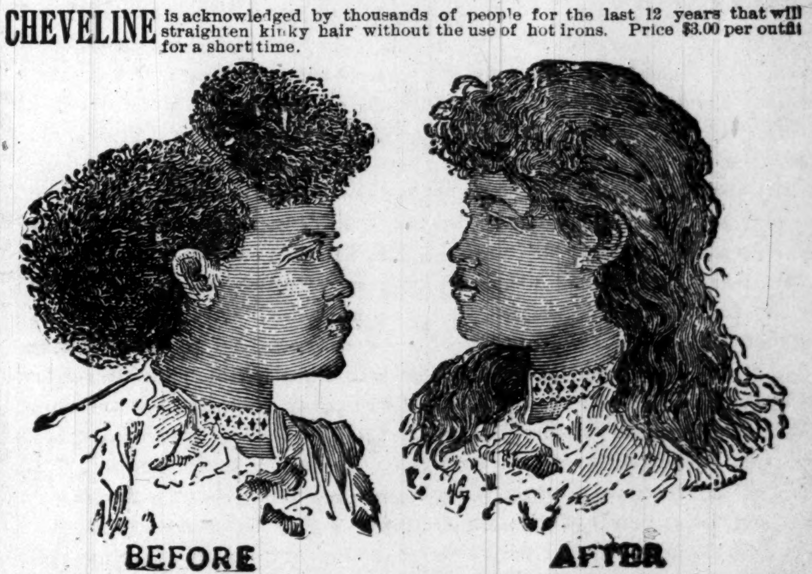

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OUR HOLIDAY NUMBER.

Without a doubt, the epoch of Negro Journalism will be made, witn the issuing of our Holiday Number. Our contributions, will consist of the Best ideas, the Best genuis and the Best thought from the Best brains of the Race. The Holiday Number will be par-excellent, considered from a mechanical standpoint as well as an educational center. Nothing like it ever before seen, printed in columns, elegantly and tastefully illustrated, and brim-full of interesting facts, data, and discussions of leading topics, leading ideas and prominent ladies and gentlemen of a great and growing people. The Zenith of a life time for individual and successful business announcemets. Agents wanted all over the World. Send in your orders at once. For cuts, Space, write-ups,etc., apply at once. Don't fail to see the Holiday Number of The Freeman.

THE SUPREME COURT DECISION.

The Supreme Court of the United States, the highest judicial body in America, has decided that the State of Kentucky has a right to pass laws regulating the passengers of railroad cars, thereby sustaining the decision of the of courts of that State that have decided that its separate coach law was legal.

December 3, 1900, is held a black letter day for Negroes in America, who had confidently looked forward to a different opinion from the highest court of the land. Its decision may be right, but it was not expected. Justice Harlan who alone dissented, voices the sentiment of the Negroes throughout the land, and the sentiment of those whites who have not allowed their prejudices to usurp the functions of their better judgments. We do not feel that we are in a condition to insist that the judicial ermine of such a distinguished body could become soiled by common opinions, prejudices, etc. It may be the law correctly interpreted, but it don't look that way.

We are of the opinion that that reasoning which influenced the legislature of Kentucky to enact the infamous law, and which caused the courts of Kentucky to sustain its legality, has not been lost upon the Supreme Court of the United States. This may be attaching very little respect to that court, but the relations are reciprocal.

It is to be deplored that the issue was driven to that court. The relation between the races in this country takes such matters out of the jurisdiction of courts. It is again the preservation of the country. The heart of the great South is opposed to the Negroes along these lines. This heart must be reached before Supreme Courts can act without the views of partisans. If it is a question of blacks versus whites it will not take a philosopher to tell who will win.

Abstractly considered the decision is wrong as it is not the intent of the constitution to create classes of citizens. It may be expediently right, when considered from the great utilitarian system of the greatest good to the greatest numbers; affluence, wealth, industry, etc. There are others to reckon with in the matter, and no matter how offensive the sentiments may be, it yet remains that right resides in might.

The Negroes position must be won regardless of the rules of courts. Adversity has its own panacea. Let the courts go. The sentiment of those sections that have peculiar laws is against the Negroes. Courts cannot change hearts. It depends on who is in the "jim crow" cars after all.

A MISUNDERSTANDING.

Evidently The Indianapolis Freeman is of the opinion that the correspondents and agents of the Afro-American Ledger are hustlers as it has been writing to them to take up the agency for The Freeman. The Afro-American Ledger blazes its own way. and has not had need to attempt to secure the services of any of the numerous agents of The Indianapolis Freeman. Well we cannot blame The Freeman for it knows a good thing when it sees it, and as it sees the Afro-American Ledger each week and also sees the good work done by its energetic hustlers for news. it has a desire to appropriate them, at the same time The Freeman has been in the field long enough to have its own corps of correspondents and agents, without seeking to secure the agents of other papers. Get on to a hustle, gentle Freeman.—The Afro-American Ledger, Baltimore.

We assure our very esteemed contemporary, the Afro-American Ledger, that if we have been trying to make excursions into its preserves, it has been unwittingly done. We have the greatest respect for the hustling ability of the managers of the Ledger as evidenced in that very worthy production. Therefore be it far from us to secure to ourselves the usufruct of its endeavors. We trust that our very able contemporary will take us at our word and will no further suspect us of making reprisals in its sphere of influence. We do have our own very excellent corps of agents and correspondents who are faithfully contributing to make The Freeman the grandest sheet in the world published by colored men. The Ledger has our thanks for any complimentary remarks. The world, right happily, is large enough for the two of us. Long live the Ledger.

A crowd of tattered Negroes passed by The Freeman office the other day. There was one person at his desk writing. One peered in to discover the color ot the occupant, after which he yelled out "Lood at that g— d— nigger in there." At that time the writer was railing against the Supreme Court of the United States in the poor fool's behalf. The writer felt like giving up the "ghost," but, reflecting, and in the language of Sheldon, considered what Christ would have done. Christ would have quit, one thinks, at that time. But the thought came rushing home in this language: Forgive them, for they know not what they do. But because they were forgiven the problem has not been benefitted. They, and a million more, will continue to plunge along making night hideous with their oaths and vulgarity. The race is at the mercy of these inebriates, low-witted thugs, who consider nothing sacred. If it maintains, the good of the few may go down to their individual accounts, but the actions of the many will create "jim crow" car laws, stakes, ropes, disfranchisements and adverse decisions of Supreme Courts.

Rev. C. W. Newton, of the Bethel A. M. E. Church of this city, has been appointed to a charge in Atlanta, Ga., to which place he will go in a few days. The very unexpected termination of Rev. Newton's pastorate in this city has caused surprise and regret as he has been eminently successful from every point of view. His methods of raising funds put his charge above financial concern and served also as a stimulus to other churches of the city. He goes to a much larger field, a church of twenty-seven hundred members, but with a very large debt. The money raising ability of Rev. Newton peculiarly stands him in hand for his new work. His new congregation will find him pleasant, congenial, refined, in short, a gentleman. As a christian he has allowed his light to shine in this community at all times. He carries with him the best wishes of the churches where his heavy handed benevolence always told and the love and respect of all that knew him The loss of Indianapolis will be Atlanta's gain.

A Y. M. C A has been organized by some of our leading colored men. Such an institution will certainly be an acceptable addition to the religious bodies of this city. A Y. M. C. A. means exactly what its name indicates, and if the promoters of the new institution are deeply imbued with that idea the association will have plain sailing. The material is here. Christian influences should be at work among the younger men and women who are growing up void of Christian principles. Practical Christianity is what is needed to offset the charge of religiosity urged against the race. Beautiful lives are the ornaments of the here and the order of the hereafter. A well directed Y. M. C. A. can do much towards influencing the blessed results.

In discussing the bill introduced into the Georgia Legislature to reduce the appropriation available for Negro schools to an amount proportionate to the tax paid by that race, the Atlanta News asks: "What an attitude would we occupy before the world if we should disfranchise the illiterate and then abolish their schools?" A very indefensible attitude The caring for the Negro rests with the Southern white people They must school them and give them employment. Considerable nonsense comes from the North. Boston particularly, and occasionally some money, which is often ill-advisedly spent, but the burden rests on the South. It is heavy. but it must be borne.—Nashville American.

Virginia is also considering some such a scheme. The chances are that this Negro hating business will be overdone. The sentiment above is admirable. There will be a reaction in the Negroes' favor yet.

Ship subsidies may be all right for the easterners, but we of the middle and western States cannot see the necessity for them. It does not appear quite the proper thing for all the people to support a few ship owners of one particular section. The common people will never understand why a bounty should be given any industry just to see it live, or in order that it may live. The party is likely to run upon a snag in this movement in the interest of the few. There has been a brisk movement as to the placing of the nation's millions since the election.

Every colored man who will can get a home in Oklahoma free, when the great Kiowa reservation of 2,000,000 acres of land, is thrown open to settlement next Spring. This land is as fine agricultural land as can be desired.—The Argus and Clarion, St. Louis.

Colored men should lose no time in making it possible to get a portion of this vast reservation. There is no discrimination inwhat the ground produces, whileopportunity is not abundant, yet thereare ways to get along for those who desire to succeed. Indianapolis is beginning to teem with a "gentry" many of whom could become independent by engaging in gardening and farming on a small scale. The whole of life is not to live in the city.

The admission of colored men to the labor Unions of Chicago will be considered significant. It is a gain in theory. If colored men can now find employers, the industrial question so far as Chicago is concerned is settled. If the Unions of other places follow the lead Chicago has made, the race question will soon wear a different phase.

The Baptist Vanguard has it, that a car load of Negroes have returned from the Philippines in an insane condition. However they are not alone. White soldiers are giving away under the pressure of service in the islands. Is the game worth the candle?

"State of the Church" is a pamphlet published by Rev. D. S. Moten, B. D. of St. James A. M. E. church, Terrell, Texas. It gives some interesting statistics of the growth of that great organization.

The Presbyterians will revise their Creed. Will a child understand it?

A little more race respect is necessary. The white race is under no obligation to resyect a race that does not respect itself.

Build and protect our own canal and subsidize no interests.

To subsidize or not to subsidize is the question.

It is useless to kick against the pricks.

Is the hand writing on the wall?

THIS AND THAT.

A white man looks alright to some of our colored women but a black man look like the devil to the white women. —Exchange.

The New York Age is responsible for the assertion that, Bishop B. T. Tanner has come out strongly against preachers kissing the women members of their congregation.

The Alabama State Fair authorities will erect a special Negro building for the exhibition. Mr. G. W. A. Johson of Tuskegee has been appointed Commissioner.

Dr. Daniel H. Williams of Chicago was in Nashville recently where he delivered a few lectures to the medical students of the Meharry Medical College. Dr. Williams has a world wide reputation as a physician and as an author.

The National Afro-American Council has appointed a committee to see that the validity of the Louisiana constitution of 1898 is tested before the Federal Supreme Court. The opinion of a number of leading lawyers, North and South, has been obtained respecting the Louisiana and North Carolina laws restricting suffrage, and the Supreme Court will have before it shortly cases that it is believed will secure an expression of its opinion respecting these suffrage laws.

The contents of the December Magazine Number of The Outlook are varied. Among the special articles will be found the fifth installment of the autobiography of Booker T. Washington, called, "Up From Slavery;" the final installment of Mr. Hamilton W. Mabie's "William Shakespeare: Poet, Dramatist and Man," which has now been published by the Macmillans in sumptuous book form; elaborate articles reviewing the ablest books of the season in the departments of art, biography and fiction, with many portrait illustrations; and, most prominent of all, a series of brief articles by such men as James Bryce, Henry Van Dyke, Edward Everett Hale, President Hadley, of Yale, and half a dozen others, giving their opinions in reply to the question "What Are the Greatest Books of the Century?" ($3 a year. The Outlook Company, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York.)

Athens. Tenn., Dec. 1, 1900.

Editor The Freeman:

Dear Sir.—Comes regularly as a welcome visited to my studio of all the Afro-American newspaper I read; I usually welcome The Freeman most heartily; aside from my church organs. I would not do without, I shall do all in my power to get it circulated in this town, this is a quite an intellectual place, with good population of Afro-Americans, and I am astonished that no one has ever introduced The Freeman here before. I have shown it to several leading Afro-Americans, and they expressed delight at its mechanical made-up, its versatile editorials and all round race interest, I think there will be no trouble in getting up a good list of subscribers. Let the grand old race organ ever continue to "hew to the line, and let the chips fall where they may."

Very Respectfully
E. M. ARGGLE, box 103.

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Nashville Students (Rusco & Holland Mgrs.) Putnam, Conn, Dec 15; Willmantive, 17; Norwich, 18; New London, 19; New Britain, 20; Hartford, 21-22

Oliver Scott's Refined Minstrels.—Louisiana, Mo. Dec 15; Alton, Ill, 16; Taylorsville, 17; Decatur, 18

Darktown Swell Co.—Prescot, Ont, Dec 15; Kempville, 17

Gay Coons From Darktown (Herbert LaShea manager)—Dellrapids, S D, 15; Rockrapids 17

South Before the War.—Geneva, N Y Dec 15; Canadogna, 17; Genesia, 18; Warsau, 19; Batiavia, 20; LeRoy, 21; Palmyra, 22

Harrison Bros.' New and Ancient South Co.—Houston, Tex, 15; Liberty, 16; Beaumont, 17; Orange, 18

W. I. Swain's Original Colored Nashville Students—Pekin, Ill, Dec 15; Peoria, 16-17; Monmouth, 18; Jacksonville, 21

Bohannan's "Fun on the Levee Co."—Dodge City, Minn, Dec. 14; Shokpee 15; "Home Sweet Home," 16

THE HOLIDAY NUMBER.

Every Negro lady and gentleman in the profession recognize the value of The Freeman to them as a friend. This paper has done more to elevate than any other American journal. So zealous and effective has been our work that The Freeman has often been styled in stage parlance as the "Black Clipper." In our approaching Holiday Number we have something new and unique to present to our readers in behalf of "Stage and its adherents." This number will eclipse all previous efforts of our Great Metropolitan Journal, and no performer should miss this opportunity to present himself to the world at large. It is a great opportunity for individual advertising, either by contract or card. This issue will be read by over One Hundred Thousand people in all parts of the world. Get your matter in not later than December 20th.

D Ireland Thomas sends regards to the Byron family.

Dick Thomas sends regards to Billy Kersands and wife.

Kid Langford sends regards to Glenn and Frank Patrick

Christian sends regards to Percy, Dood, Kemp and all friends.

The five Housely Brothers send regards to all Cincinnati friends.

Mamie B. Payne, with the "Darktown Swells," is setting a hot pace for them all.

Brooks and Regis, the New Orleans boys, are making quite a hit in Tampa, Fla.

Clarence Cissell, Wm. S. Levard and Major Ben. F. Payne are the comedians with the "Darktown Swells."

Clarence Powell sends regards to A. L. Stevenson, and hopes to see Dick Wilson, at Asbury Park next summer.

J. W. Bohannan's "Fun on the Levee" Co., closes the season at Shakpee, Minn., to-day on account of poor business.

J. Ed. Green is doing the straight in the act of "Just a Minute, Mr. Coon" with Billy Johnson, and a few changes is making the act go.

The sixth annual tour of the famous "Hoosier Stars," under the direction of J. Harry Jackson, will begin early in 1901. The company is headed by Mr. and Mrs. C. Elias Winston.

Miss Jessie Thomas, Arthur Howe, Chink Floyd and Ed Stanley are playing the Mascotte theatre, Tampa, Fla., instead of the Buckingham, as was stated in these columns recently.

Ollie Dempsey, the well known sporting man, and proprietor of the Professional Headquarters in Cincinnati, O., was a Freeman caller Tuesday. Mr. Dempsey was en route to Chicago to witness the Gans-McGovern fight.

Billy Farrell, who is making a decided hit in London, Eng., is billed at Hammersmith's Palace of Varieties as the Creole comedian and cake walk dancer. We are anxiously waiting Billy's return to America with his English clothes etc.

The Quaker City Dramatic Co., of Philadelphia, under the leadership of Mr. A. H. Jackson, produced "David Garrick" at the Grand opera house, South Bethlehem, Pa., last week, to a large and appreciative audience.

Price and Price, after a successful season of 16 weeks, with Russell & Burdosf's Midway Carnival Co., are resting up. Their new act "A Few Minutes of Ragtime" will be put on Jan. 1 with the same company. They can be reached at 614 Johnson street, Saginaw, Mich.

Buckingham Theatre, Fort Brooke, Fla.; Chappelle Bros., owners.—Miss May Hicks is still the head liner at this house; she has become a great favorite here, and her appearance on the stage is always greeted with an outburst of enthusiasm. Richard Barnett, the clever performer, is making the people laugh and applaud "Lam, Lam, Lam." The other people are, Son Payne, "Big Jimmy, "Kid Jones and Lemos Williams.

Notes from "Gay Coons From Darktown."—We had a drive of twelve miles to-day from Jackson to Lake Field; some of us got a little cold on the way, but we found everything comfortable at the Lakefield house, and was soon able to enjoy an excellent dinner. Lee and Jeffers, our fun makers, are still amusing large audiences. There is always some one to say they have never seen La She's equal. Mrs. La She is still serving as accompanist with credit to herself. The Petitts are adding more to the already wonderful act. W. H Waricks, our tenor singer, has just received a number of songs to add to his musical library; he is singing "Forever" with success.

Notes from the Georgia minstrels.—This is our third week in the golden state; our business has been large ever since entering the state. The weather has not been just what the state is noted for, as very little sunshine we have seen, owing to the extreme foggy weather. Last week several of the young men on the car went gunning for ducks; the party included Messrs. Angelo, Beverly, Housely, John Sherman and Will Kelley; they were supplied with all the ammunition required. On their return they brought back one duck, (?) and it's been whispered around that they bought this one from some man. Our manager, Mr. Culligan, saw that nothing was left undone to make our Thanksgiving dinner an enjoyable one. Well its a long story to tell how far we are from the old homestead, so I shan't start in. All the company send regards to No. 1 and Students.

Notes from Allen, Quine and Oakes' New Orleans minstrels.—We have had a few rainy days this week, but it has not hurt our business much. Our last telegram from Mr. Quine, our manager, stated he was very low, but under the best doctors' care in Canada, and they claim that by careful treatment he will come out alright. Our Queen City quartette is a great drawing card, composed of F. W. Inman, 1st tenor; W. W. Brewer, 2nd tenor; J. T. Fernando, 1st bass; J. H. Bailey, 2nd bass. They send best wishes to all Atlanta friends and West End quartette of Savannah, Ga. J. T. Cox sends regards to Wash Fanning. C. N. Barge sends regards to Mrs. N. Barge. Walter Lee sends regards to Lewis Wright of the Georgias. John S. Walker sends regards to all friends, and would like to hear from J. M. Robinson, Jr., A. Craig and Theo. Redding; address in care of The Freeman.

New Bijou Theatre, Tampa, Fla.; Pat Chapelle, owner; D. Ireland Thomas, manager.—Crowded houses nightly is the rule of this house. Robinson's big circus visit here did not affect us. Brooks and Regis, Florence Hines, Vida Vaugh, Cornelius Chrisholm, Alex. Smith and "Black Sam" are all hot favorites, and score heavily every night. Next week the Ford sisters and Sadie Robinson. Miss Kittie Brown, the popcoon song singer, issued invitations for a Thanksgiving "spread" in honor of Misses Florence Hines and Vida Vaughn. The guest assembled at an early hour at the cozy residence of Miss Brown, where they found a most beautifully decorated table, set with fifty covers. After participating in a bill of fare that was fit for a king, the guest retired to the parlor, where songs, recitations and dances held forth until the "wee" late hours. Among those present were Florence Hines, Vida Vaughn, Jessie Thomas, the genial Bob Donaldson, Tamer Benjamin, Ed. Smith, Alex. Roach, Wm. Waldorf, Buddie Swain, Marion Brown and many others.

J. Ed. Green writes from the Oliver Scott's: Every one in the profession that plays a route through Iowa knows the capacity of the houses. We didn't jam them to the doors, but we filled each and every one of them. The audience as well as the press had nothing to say but good, the work of Fred Wadell at the close of the olio being a remarkable feature of dexterity. John Jackson can be heard daily in the band concerts playing the popular trombone solo "Romance" to rounds of applause, C. J. Scotte, of the musical team of Scotte and Deleo, is preparing the "Holy City" for an opening on his euphonium. Master Blaine Bly received the sad notice that his brother died of lockjaw. It was quite a shock to the boy soloist. J. J. Morris, treasurer of the show, left for Beverly on the 10th for a short visit to see family. The singing of "When the Harvest Days are Over" by Richard Lewis is still the favorite for applause. Mr. Lewis has been busy the entire week shaking hands with people of the old homestead, meeting his mother in Burlington. Henry Troy, the sweet voiced tenor, pleases nightly with Mr. Green's popular romance, "Love is but the Same Old Thing." Gordon Collins is now doing the principal opposite Mr. Powell, and his usual hit is the outcome. Arthur Maxwell is riding with the same old vim.

Notes from "Darktown Swells."—We have just closed our initial week of success in Canada and the show is a big hit from start to finish; already we have placed returned dates in some of the towns. We opened at Bowmanville when we were all tired and sleepy, but we remembered the old maxim "no rest for the wicked," so we got together and gave a rousing good show to a packed house, and judging by the applause, the people got their money's worth. Much credit is due Major Ben F. Payne, our jolly good stage manager, who so ably put together a strong show, consisting wholly of original ideas. There are only twelve of us, but we give show enough for thirty, and you must be a thoroughbred or you will get lost in the race for supremacy, for every member on the program is a feature, and they are all "warm members from the south." At Brighton, Ont. 6 inst., after the show the ladies and gentlemen of our company were royally entertained by President Sam Nesbit and members of the Canners and Packing association of Canada; the occasion being their eighth anniversary. After supper speeches and songs and other things (?) were in order, and a jolly good time we had. Major Payne responded to the toast with "The Colored Man in the United States and in Canada." The Major was in fine form and acquitted himself with great honors. Will write again soon. "The Hustler."

Clarksville, Tenn., professionals items.—The Clarksville brass band, which gained notoriety at the Tennessee Centennial in '97, will re-organize in 1901, after a year's disbandment. It will comprise crack musicians and the latest musical productions. Mmes. Crawford Petway, the prima-donna and soubrette hailing from Nashville, Tenn., and Milwaukee Wis., are supporting Mlle. Daisy Walker in her recitals and dramas. The latter is endeavoring to establish an industrial school in this city, and she is putting forth every exertion to that end. Mrs. G. Q. Boyd, the virtuoso and violinist, will be the royal guest of Fisk university Xmas, on a visit to her sister, Miss Kate L. Ramey. John R. Rogers, erstwhile manager of the "Sunburnt Swells," sends regards to friends. J. P. Steele, bandmaster and composer of the "Belle of Tennessee," wishes his many friends a merry Xmas and happy New Year. Prof. D. B. Rice, formerly of the famous Georgia minstrels, is getting his ladies' orchestra as well as his novices, in trim for the coming season. He sends regards to friends. Mlle. Kate L. Ramey, who is considered to be the cleverest amateur manipulator of the piano in the state, will spend Xmas in Nashville, Tenn. W. L. Johnson, The Freeman's representative, extends a glad hand to all the profession, and invites them to call at his rendezvous, on S. Faust street, when in this city. He sends regards to all.

Notes from W. I. Swain's Nashville Students.—We are still touring the State of Illinois, and, judging from the packed houses that we are continually playing to, our season shall be a prosperous one. The S. R. O. sign always appears. We showed at Galesburg Dec. 2, turning away about 500 people, and followed, two days' behind, Oliver Scott's Minstrels into Moline, and many were turned away. I guess there must be something very catchy about our band concerts, or our lucky manager. Well, probably, it might be our swell appearance upon the street. As advertised, this is not a minstrel show, and after the performance you can hear all kinds of compliments from all colors and classes of people such as, "oh! wasn't that little Clarence Byron a good singer," and "what did you think of the Sherrah Quartte?" "They certainly put the fire out," and the "prima donna was the best I ever heard," and that wire walker, Prince, juggling those fire batons was a "peach;" but, oh! Mr. Jackson did play some sweet music on that violin, but that Ace Brooks, I liked him the best of all when he sang "Coon, Coon, Coon." P. G. Lowery, the one that came out and played the cornet solo, he's been here before. Yes, and he is always there, there, there. Well, I guess, that's the best colored show we've had here in many years. The ghost walks every Sunday morning, not the ghost of a coon, but the opha manager, and the students are always glad to receive The Freeman once a week. Miss Annie Dorsey has been on the sick list, but is now convalesing. Moses McQuitty, euphonium soloist, has retired from the orchestra, and is now a performer upon the stage. Long live The Freeman.

Professional Items from Cincinnati.—Miss Belle Davis played week before last at the Columbia Theatre, and made a big hit. She was the guest of Miss Oma Browne, late of Isham's Octaroons. At present Harry Crosby, of the team of Crosby and North, now with the Ray sisters of Albany, N. Y., is the guest of Miss Oma Browne. Crosby still holds his own as the king of ragtime piano players. He was here on business. Frank Glasso, proprietor of the Union Shaving Parlor, 230 George street, has introduced a new kind of shampoo called the Tonice shampoo. It is something new, and while you are waiting for your head to be shampooed you can have The Freeman to read. It is here every Friday. Miss Belle Phillips, of Cincinnati, now with Al. Martin's Uncle Tom's Cabin Company, is making a big hit in the East. Tom Gales, late of Oliver Scott's Minstrels, was the guest of H. Gatewood and A. J. Finley. Gales is talking of signing with the Hill & Polk's Ragtime Coons. Ollie Dempsey, proprietor of the Waldorf saloon, 410 Fifth street, sends regards to all professionals, and says when you play Cincinnati call in and see him. He will treat you nice and give you The Freeman to read and show you the club up stairs Lonnie Crosby, your mother, father and sisters send regards to you and your pal. Prosessionals, go to 333 W. 5th street to have your shoes shined when you play Cincinnati. It is one of The Freeman's branch offices. Back copies can be obtained by applying. Items will appear in this column by applying to John L. Hill, The Freeman's corresponding agent, 512 Plum street, Blue Ribbon Smoker Club.

The Slayton Jubilee Singers are still enjoying the tidal wave of prosperity. The company is filling time for the Brockway Lecture Course of Pittsburg, and is giving entire satisfaction. Were they to respond to the calls for return dates the company would simply rotate in a circuit. On the 18th ult. the company sang twice for the Baptist Temple, Broad and Berks street, Philadelphia, Pa., of which the eloquent Russell Conwell is pastor. Mr. and Mrs. Tutt were entertained, a week or so ago, by Madame Flowers, who is an intimate acquaintance of theirs. J. W. Turner, one of our young bass singers is holding up the bass end of the company, and when I say he receives the plaudits and press notices of the critical eastern papers it means a great deal, for he is following in the wake of such bass singers as Hagerman, Chas. Moore and Buckner. There is a trio of our best bass singers, and Mr. Turner, in following such as these and receiving especial mention, proves himself a bass singer of no inconsiderable ability. Nolan T. Washington, nature's own bird imitator and whistler, has so ingratiated himself into the hearts of the eastern public that they regard him as a fixture and make no hesitation in demanding him. Lester Helms, the acting manager of the company is undoubtedly the best that has essayed that role. He has the inbred, natural talent for business, besides an efficient school training, which eminently fits him for the position he fills. Finishing this off, he has the demeanor and dignity of a gentleman, which is a quality not too much in evidence now-a-day. Mrs. Jeannette Murphy Green, the solo soprano, is improving daily, and her voice is better and sweeter than ever. She has in rehearsal several new solos which she will soon be using She sends love to J. Ed. Madame Louise Sylrester, after a brief rest from solo singing, is again delighting her audiences with her choice solos She is a contralto virtuoso, and the depth and richness of her voice is amazing. She has a phenomenal range, at times below the treble staff, in the regions of bass; then carrying her voice through the lines and spaces she is at once in the coveted realms of the soprano register. Undoubtedly she is an artist. It would be hard to find a better exponent of the quaint, old-fashioned jubilee than Mrs E. P. Helms. Her renditions are very unique, and in the East here she is a big favorite. The Tutts, Al and Edith, are the champion grotesque cake walkers of the world, and if the verdict of the eastern public and press count for anything they are not only the champions of the earth, but could defeat the products of Mars, Jupiter, etc., should they happen to have any. Our Pennsylvania tour closes on the 15th inst., then we invade New York State. Tutt sends regards to Jim Love.

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From the Windy City.

Chicago, Ill., Special.—Molly Williams, who has been sick for three weeks, died on the 27th of November. Her funeral was preached at Herman Church on the 30th ult., by Rev. Green. She leaves a loving mother, a kind father, a brother and a host of friends to mourn their loss. Mrs. Jane Saunders, of Lexington, Ky., is visiting her son, N. Saunders, at 215 Wells street. Miss Fannie Grason, of Dallas, Texas, is spending a few weeks with Mrs L Ducker, 20 Cedar street. Mr. Geo W. Ducker has been very sick at 20 Cedar street. Mrs. Daisy Wall, of 239 Chicago avenue, who has been very ill, is convalescing. The Ladies' Benevolent Society was royally entertained, last Friday evening, at Mrs. L. Houston's residence, by Zack Saunders. "Pap" is an expert at entertaining the ladies. The following officers were elected by the 24th Ward Republican Club on the 27th ult.: C. Hughes, president; N. W. Miller, vice-president; W. D Lillard, secretary; R. Weaver, assistant secretary; A. Price, treasurer. Resolutions indorsing the candidacy of Graeme Stewart for mayor were introduced by R. McCoomer and adopted by the club. The 23d Ward has an over production of clubs, as two clubs have been organized. Mr. Geo. W. Ramsey is president of club No. 1 and Mr G. G. Groves is president of club No. 2. Mrs. S. E. Bell, of 568 Weiland street, served dinners Thanksgiving day to a large number of friends. Rev. J. H. Green took dinner with Dr. R E. Manning, the 29th ult., at 748 Washington boulevard.

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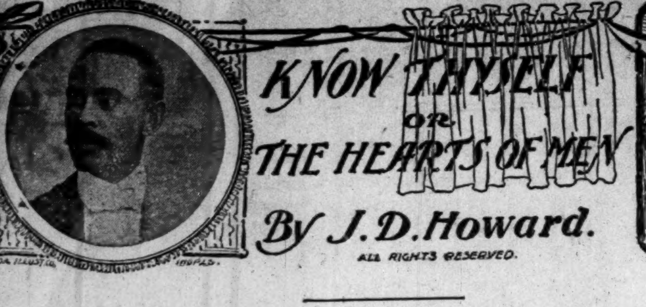
Local Notes.

Zanesville, Ohio, Special.—Miss Clara Howard, of Coshocton, was the guest of Mrs. Alexander last week. The Y P. S. M. I. will give a drama entitled Dr. Cure-All at St. Paul A. M. E. New Year's night. The stewardesses of St. Paul Church gave an entertainment Thanksgiving night. A very fine musicale program was rendered. The Union Baptists gave a series of entertainments last week, Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. Quite a neat sum was realized. Mr. John Guy and Miss Elsie Norris were married Thanksgiving by Rev. Maxwell. The K. of P. will give a banquet at Olympia Hall, Dec. 27. Mrs. Frank Greek, of Springfield, is the guest of Mrs. George Qualls. Mrs. Shackleford, of Newark, was in the city last week. Mr. and Mrs. Richards, of Pittsburg, are the guests of Mrs Self, of Maysville Pike Mrs. Rice Barnett is sick. Dr. Clinton, of Pittsburg, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton, of Linden avenue, last week.



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CHAPTER XVIII, CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.

Strange to say, it seemed I was being wafted upon the soft, balmy breezes, without any effort on my part, whatever. In a short while, and quite as suddenly as the music had commenced, the entire band burst forth in song. It was that grandest of all hyms—"Nearer My God to Thee!" Ah! the grandeur of the melody emanating from those millions of voices, comprising that Heavenly-Choir, chanting the hymn, beggars all possible description. There appeared in sight, just ahead of us, another planet; larger than the one we had vacated; it was peopled with a multitude, greater in number, perhaps, than our band contained. Just as we were about to alight upon the body the entire mass of angels, arose in the air, and flew away; leaving the sphere deserted; save, by two, white-haired old men, with flowing beards, who were perched upon a rostrum, similar in dimensions, to that of the elevation upon which the two standard-bearers of our brigade had stood. They were both attired in pontifical apparel; their long hoary-locks, and white beards, gave them an ecclesiastical appearance, at once suggestive, and impressive. Our entire band circled, spirally, around the planet, descending lower and lower each revolution, until finally, like so many doves, we settled around the elevation, upon which the two Priestly old men were standing. One of them wore upon his face an expression, which inspired confidence at a glance, while the other, though his face did not possess the traits common to those of his neighbor, at the same time, his countenance had in it, a fatal fasination, absolutely resistless. In a short while, all was still. Every eye was strained toward the rostrum. One of the men arose and commenced a sermon. With breathless interest, I drank in every word, of his discourse. His logic was incomparable;—his rhetoric, entrancing, He dilated extensively upon the virtues of morality; and exhorted his listeners, with soulful unction, to adopt, good, and pious lives, claiming, that the end thereof, was peace, and eternal happiness! His companion, who had the face with such a beguiling expression, presented quite an opposite view of life, and its responsibilities. He maintained, that at best, life was but a fleeting spell, and should be filled with as much carnal amusement, as possible. In a most plausible and effective manner, he substantiated the theory that there was nothing to be hoped for, or desired, beyond the grave. He cried down in the most drastic terms, all that the good-man who had preceded him, had said. From the commotion thoroughout the vast throng, at the conclusion of each sermon, it was evident, that their adherents were equally divided. The last Speaker, in phraseology most eloquent, had painted the gilded sins of this world in such bewitching colors, that in spite of the wholesome admonitions, which had gone before, I was slowly biased to the views of the last speaker." The expression of the sinking girl's eyes conveyed a world of sorrow as she reached this portion of her narrative. It was, as though, she was vainly grasping after that which had gone from her forever!

"Directly behind the rostrum of the preachers," she went on, "was a large, purple streamer, bearing the strange device—'MAIDEN-HOOD!' At the conclusion of the last discourse, every being upon the sphere, seemed to set up a wild, clamorous chatting, resembling the noise made by so many sparrows. Every thing was suddenly converted, into wildest chaos, and confusion. Without warning, the globe upon which we stood, quietly PARTED IN HALF! and drifted APART! Upon one of the semi-spheres thus formed, stood the old man, in whose face and arguments had been such baneful attractions; upon the other, stood the one, whose teachings had been good and pious. Each were surrounded by their respective followings which, comprised about an equal division of the total number, that had listened to their conflicting arguments. I WAS UPON THE HALF OF THE SPHERE PRESIDED OVER BY THE EXPOUNDER OF THE WORLDLY SOPHISTRY! In the distance, I could see the other half of the planet, with it's occupants, receeding into nothingness. Af far as I could descry the body, the towering form of the grand old man in the center of the throng about him, stood up, bold and distinct. The space between us, was as the river, that for all Eternity, would separate the good, from the bad. Back from the fast receding planet, borne upon the soft, zepher breezes, were wafted the plaintive notes of that dear old hymn, which I have had so often, years ago, in the village church, called—'Jesus Lover of My Soul!' It thrilled me with a feeling I had never felt before; instinctively I stretched out my arms in the direction from whence the sounds came, as though I fain would exchange my place, for one among the singers. But alas! the space intervening, was limitless, and quite beyond the flight of my delicate wings; a heavy sense of despair crept over me, as I realized the impossibility of spanning the distance, separating me from the holy band, which had now, passed out of my sight, and was lost in the clouds beyond. As I turned to consider, more minutely, my new surroundings, I discovered that I had increased in size, in fact, was just as I am now. The innocency of the feeling I had experienced, whilst in the habilliment of the cherub, had departed with this last transformation. Quite suddenly, all about me assumed an aspect, decidedly secular. Three of the six musicians I had observed kneeling in front of the altar, on the first planet I visited, were also upon this one; the rest, having remained with the other contingency. They soon struck up a lively, and catchy air upon their instruments; and, to my surprise, every one around me, was soon whirling about, to the sweet strains of a dreamy waltz. The music was soft and beguiling and the mirthful tendencies it evoked, were contagious. I soon found my-self, plunging madly into the pleasures of the hour. We were suddenly recalled from the delicious raptures of our terpsichorean diversions, by the shrill blasts of a bugle, in the hands of the man, to whose persuasions, but a few moments before, I had yielded.

In an instant, all was still. By a wave of the man's hand, we all fell upon our faces, stricken by some strange, magnetic power; and couched in deadly fear. I trembled in every limb. A feeling of awe, as though something terrible was going to occur, seemed to enthrall me. Finally, I raised my head, and glanced furtively at the being who had caused such stillness, by a simple wave of his hand, to reign, amid such a scene of revelry. One glance at that face, was sufficient to strike terror, to a stouter heart than mine. His entire countenance had under-gone some strange transfiguration. His face had assumed an expression, positively demonical, in it's hideous mockery, and cunning. In appearance, he did not seem half so old, as when he had delivered his sermon, a short while before. He was completely divested of the Priestly-garb, in which he was at first attired; and, in it's stead, appeared in a flowing robe of the brightest crimson. Even his feet were incased in material of the same hue. Two large horns protruded from either side of his head, and his eyes sparkled with a penetrating fire, that seemed to look into one's very soul. In slow, measured tones, interspersed with, low, hissing laughs, he began a discourse, more eloquent, if possible, than the one, to which I had listened before. In this he scored us most severely for our weakness, in permitting the voice of the Tempter, to lure us, within his coils; he cited in a most taunting manner, how, from the cradle, we all had lived pure and virtuous lives, only to reach—'Maiden-hood,'—the most sacred period of our existence, to sacrifice all, upon the altar, of the first temptation! thereby, consigning our miserable souls, to eternal perdition! He told, how, as was shown by the different stages through which I passed, that, by nature, all were good and pure; yet, when false reasonings, and conflicting passions asserted themselves, our early chastity, and close observance of God's Statutes, was so much dross. He tantalized the miserable, wretched creatures, before him, in every possible way, by parading their various weaknesses.

During his discourse, the planet upon which we lay, was slowly moving upward, and was nearing, what appeared to be, an enormous, stone, arch-way; extending on either side, as far as I could see. Under the arch, was a large, iron-gate; over this, cut in the stone, I read the words—'The Wages of Sin!' When the peculiar craft, upon which we lay, got directly along the side of this structure, like a ship landing at a dock, it stood still; and the heavy gate, opening into the interior, swung ajar. We were then bidden to rise; and, two by two, slowly filed through the passage-way. Proceeding on, we finally came into a large opening, or court, a low stone-wall about three feet high, ran longitudinally across the entire place. This formed the railing of a fathomless precipice. Peering over this, I was presented with a sight, that made my blood run cold!"

The girl covered her face in her hands, as though she fain would shut out from her vision, some horrible sight. She was nervous, and appeared greatly excited. Gladys quickly elevated her to a sitting posture in the bed; and propped her up with pillows, remarking as she did so:

"My dear, do you not think you had better defer further account of your dream, for the present? You are weak, and further attempt at talking might cost you most dearly."

Gladys was horrified, at the wild, delirious laugh, that issued from the girl's lips,—the very sound of which made her tremble,—she realized at once the awful truth—the girl, was dying! Just here, she was greatly relieved by Annie, the servant-girl, opening the door, and softly entering the room.

"Go down and tell the madam I desire to speak with her at once;" she said to the negress, excitedly.

The expression upon her face, was one of such marked agitation, that the colored girl, suspecting something had gone amiss, hastened to do her bidding.

After a moment's pause, the dying girl upon the couch continued:

"Let me see, where did I leave off? Ah,—I remember. I was speaking of the horrible sight that met my gaze, when I peered down into that awful grotto. In the roaring flames, which illuminated the inky darkness below, I beheld the lost souls of countless ages; writhing in agony—! wailing, and bemoaning their fate—! crying for, 'mercy! mercy! mercy!' An answer to these pathetic appeals, came back as an echo, which, reverberated throughout the enclosure in which I stood. It cried out, in a solemn, and impressive voice: "Too late, too late!'"

Here, the door opened again, and the madam of the house, followed by several of the inmates, entered the room; and circled about the invalid's couch. The dying girl seemed not to have noticed their entrance; her eyes had assumed a dull, lethargic expression; apparently, she was gazing into the Great Beyond; upon whose brink, she stood.

"In a short time," she went on, "each of the vast number assembled with me, in their respective turns, was sentenced for their earthly follies, and hurled into the surging flames below!

"As my last misdeeds, and follies upearth, were being enumerated to me, and just before the brawny-hands of the individual, who consigned each body, to the flames below, had been placed upon me; strange to say"—, here, her voice sank almost to a whisper; for the first time since their entrance, she seemed to be aware of the presence of the persons about her. Resting her eyes upon them,

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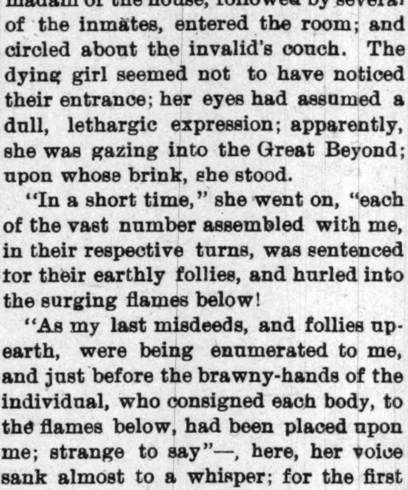

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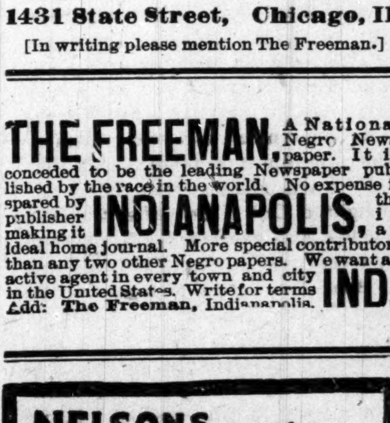

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Bobby Dobbs has received an offer of $1,000 from the National Sporting Club, of London, to meet Dick Burge. He will accept.

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Frank Erne, the lightweight champion, expects to enter Columbia College, New York, and take a course in architecture.

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Handball, the great son of Hanover, has been sold by Milton Young, of Lexington, Ky., to the Cobham stud, in England. The sale was private.

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Jockey Willie Sims, who went to France about the middle of last season, rode in sixteen races, landing five winners and six seconds. He has a contract for next season, and will return to Paris in March.

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Eddie Santry, who injured his knee in his last fight with "Kid" Broad, has almost fully recovered and will be able to fight again. At the time of the injury it was announced that his fighting days were over.

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Memphis will make a strong bid for the big fights, which are scheduled to take place this winter and next spring. Jeffries has intimated that he will meet either Fitzsimmons or Sharkey in the Tennessee metropolis.

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National Sporting Club, of London, has offered a purse of £300 and a side bet of £500 for a match between Charles McKeever and Tommy Ryan. The match will probably be arranged as Ryan is anxious to accept the terms.

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Kid Parker, of Denver, and Joe Gans, of Baltimore, have been matched for a return fight of ten rounds for a purse of $2,000. The contest will take place at the Colorado Athletic Club Denver, January 4, the winner to take all.

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Kid Ashe the Cincinnati light weight, broke both of his hands in his contest with Emil Sanchez at Springfield, Ill. He lost the use of the left in the third round, and of the right in the seventh. After that he was almost at the mercy of his opponent.

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Paul Pons, the French champion wrestler, bested John Piening in two straight falls, Græco-Rome style, in the Grand Central Palace, New York. Pons had all the best of it and Piening wrestled strictly on the defensive. It took 29:31 to secure the second.

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"Kid" Broad and Tim Callahan fought a six-round draw before the Penn Art Club, at Philadelphia, last week. Callahan made the best showing, but the contest wes called a draw. Broad has not fully recovered from the terrific beating given him by Terry McGovern.

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A friend of mine in the person of Col. W. P. Ijams, of Terre Haute, president of the Terre Haute Trotting Association, has a collection of whips used by drivers in breaking records over that track. The one most prized is the whip used by Ed Geers last fall when he lowered the world's trotting record behind The Abbott.

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The entire racing and breeding stable of the late Marcus Daly will be sold at auction in a few weeks. This stable represents an investiment in horse flesh alone of over $600,000. The stable is situated at Bitter Root, Mont. Among the prominent sires in the string are Hamburg, Tammany Bashampton, Isidor, Ogden and Inverness.

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Phil Daly., Jr., defeated Tod Sloan in a match shoot, on Long Island. The conditions of the match were fifty live birds and a bet of $500 a side. Daly's score was 43 and Sloan's 42. The friends of the jockey were surprised at his good showing with a gun. While he had done some shooting in England, he has had little experience before the traps.

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Tommy Ryan and Jack Root have signed articles for a twenty-round contest, to decide the middleweight chmpionship of the world. It is understood that in case of failure of the attempt of the Cincinnati Buisness Men's Association to match two of the heavyweights for a contest in that city, the Ryan-Root contest will be substituted. Mayor Fleischmann has consented to one big boxing contest being given in Cincinnati this winter for the purpose of clearing the indebtedness on the Saengerfest Hall.

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Old Sport.—"What has become of the match between Joe Walcott and Tommy Ryan?"

Ned Lmo B(oone.)—"Why-er the newspapers thought it would be out of Tommy's line of business to fight a real fighter, so they declared the bout off."

I believe that the above is the true state of affairs. I did not believe that they would ever meet when I first heard of the arranged (?) match, for Ryan never fights a real fighter, and he knows only too well that Walcott would not only be content with punching off his big Rom(ing)an nose, but would knock his whole block off of him. Good judgment, Tommy, for you are a wise guy.

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Eighteen teams, comprising the crack bicycle riders of America and Europe, have already entered for the six-day race, which begun Sunday night, at Madison Square Garden, New York City. The teams that will race for the $10,000 in prizes are: Floyed McFarland, of San Francisco, and Harry Elkes, Glen Falls, N. Y.; Charles Miller, Chicago, and Robert Walthour, Atlanta, Ga; Frank Waller and Will Stinson, Boston; Louis Gimm, Pittsburg, and Charles Turville, Chicago; Archie McEachern, Canada and Burns Pierce, Boston; Frank Albert, New York, and James Casey, Worcester; J. F. Colgan, Trenton, and H. E. Dickerson Beaver Meadows, Pa; John and Gus Lawson Salt Lake City; Floyd Krebs. Newark, and John R. Dubois, Brockton, Mass.; Oscar Babcock and Oscar Aronson, New York; P. J. Lassano and Leo Maresca, Italy; L. Fritschka and Edward Lingenfelter, Chicago; Alexander and Hugh McLean, Boston; Karl Kiser and Fred Ryser, Germany; Edward Nikoden, Bohemia, and F. Hoffman Ramesch, Austria; C. Simar and J. Cougolz. France; Hippolyte Aucoturier, France, and R. Muller, Italy, and M. Fredericks and J. Fisher, Switzerland. Major Taylor was entered in this race but with-drew on account of other engagements, which are doubtless more profitable to him.

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DOBBS DEFEATS WALL.

One of the greatest fights in recent years was that fast and fierce battle at Memphis, Tenn., last week between Bobby Dobbs and Ed. Wall, both colored. Dobbs is the lightweight champion of England, and Wall is the welterweight champion of the south. The men entered the ring in the best of condition; Wall weighing about 148 pounds and Dobbs about 135. The fight started oft briskly and continued the same througout. Dobbs was knocked down three times during the encounter: once in the first round, and twice in the fourth. The strangest part of the whole affair was the fact that Dobbs was floored twice after he had delivered the fatal blow to Wall—which was a terrific jolt that broken two of his ribs. Wall continued through the fifth round and retired to his corner, unable to respond to the call of time for the sixth round. Wall proved himselt capable of taking lots of punishment, while Dobbs is game to the core is a very scientific fighter.

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Another pugilistic event that is attracting considerable attention from devotees of boxing is the six-round contest between Peter Maher and "Gus" Ruhlin to take place before the Penn Art Club the latter part of this month. In point of height, reach and weight Maher and Ruhlin are very evenly matched. They are not strangers by any means, having fought one of tne greatest battles ever witnessed in New York before the old Lenox Athletic Club several years ago. The men punched each other for 20 rounds without either scoring a decided advantage. The bout was declared a draw.

Since that time Ruhlin has shown great improvement. His crushing defeat of "Tom" Sharkey and the fine stand he made against "Bob" Fitzsimmons have convinced many experts of his ability to defeat Maher, and it is probable that the Akron man will be the favorite in the betting. But Maher will not want for friends. In spite of his different reverses in the prize ring he is still popular and has a large following. He is regarded as a dangerous man because of his great hitting power; he always seems to "have a punch with him," and is liable to land a knockout blow when least expcted.

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she did not again remove them; but, slowly continued: "in this eventful moment, my thoughts went out to the Author of my shame! As the claiming hands of the grim-faced Executor closed upon me—," she raised her-self up in the bed, and stared at the inmates around her, as though she was trying to read something in their faces; "and I was raised high into the air, above his head, I-I—awoke: and found it all, a—a—dream!"

With wild distorted eyes she fell heavily back among the pillows; only to spring up, immediately, to a sitting posture; shrieking the most horrible screams; fighting the air with her hands; wildly exclaiming: "Save me—! save me! Do not let him touch me!—see, 'tis he,—the very same—!" With one fearful contortion of the emaciated body, she sank back upon the bed, and, a moment later, some mother's darling, some father's joy, in her fearful surroundings, a house of Shame! had passed away. Cleo Wesley, was dead!

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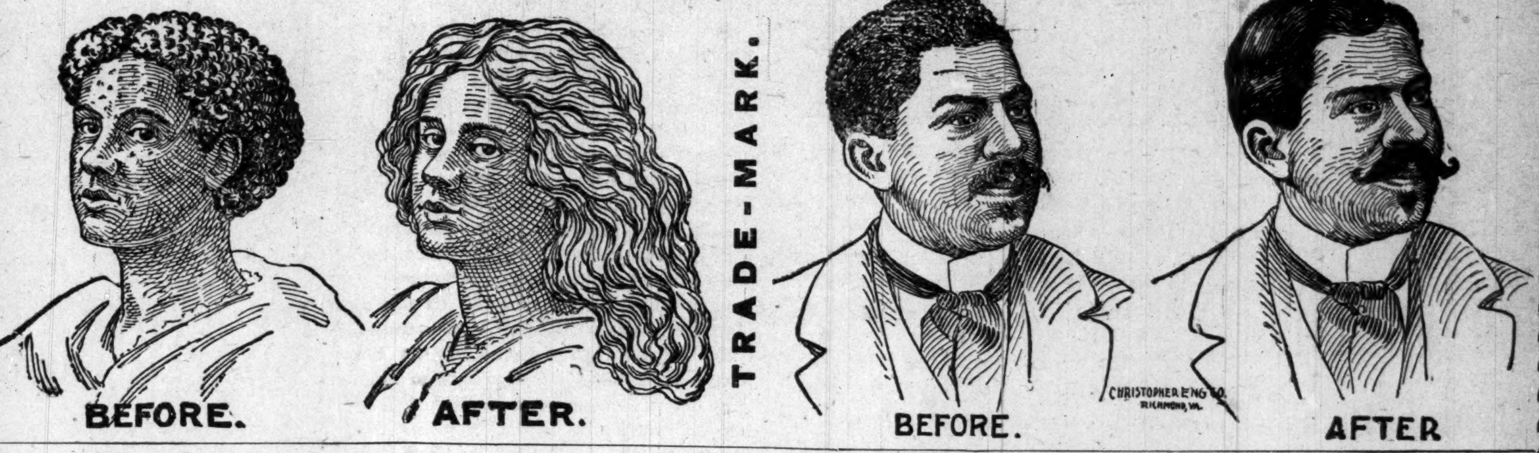

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..CITY NOTES..

Mrs. Amanda Hill is visiting at Vincennes

Mrs. Charles Humble spent a week in Cincinnati.

Mrs. G. W. Moore has returned from Logansport.

John Coates will remove his family to Omaha, Neb.

Joseph Hunter, of Cairo, Ill., is visiting his parents in this city.

Mrs. Bell Wallace will spend the holidays here with relatives.

Rev. J. W. Carr is conducting a series of meetings in St. Louis, Mo.

Mrs. Eliza Bunker has returned from a visit to relatives at Nashville.

Mrs. Edward White has returned from a visit to relatives in Dunreith.

Mr. David Jenkins, of Terre Haute, Ind, was in the city last week.

Mrs. Lucinda Bates, of Terre Haute will take medical treatment here.

Mrs. Luella Jordan has returned to the city, after two years' absence.

The third of the Metropole's series of dances takes place Thursday evening.

Mrs. Lucy Baker, of Louisville, is visiting her brother at North Indianapolis.

Mrs. Jane Kyle, of Laporte, Ind., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Nancy Brooks.

Rev. R. R. Downs, of Georgia, the new pastor of Bethel church in this city.

Mrs. Lucretia Knox has returned from a visit to her parents at Shelbyville, Ky.

Mrs. Lida Hay went to Cincinnati, Saturday to attend the funeral of a relative.

Mrs. Margaret Howe has returned from Somerset, Ky., where she went to bury her father.

Miss Hortense Parker went to visit her mother in Ripley, O., before returning to St. Louis, her home.

Fred Hord formerly of The Freeman force, but now employed on the Noblesville, Ind., Ledger was in the city Sunday.

Rev. W. H. Patterson has been elected State Missionary by the Executive Board of the General and Eastern Association of Baptists.

The board of directors of the Alpha Home met at Allen Chapel Thursday afternoon. A new kitchen is being added to the home.

Dr. Joseph Ward and S. E. Givens went to attend the Y. M. C. A. State Convention at New Albany, Dec. 6-10. They represent the newly organized Y. M. C. A. praying band.

Miss Anna Well and Miss Emma Stricklen royally entertained a large number of friends at No 530 Roanoke street last Thursday night. They were assisted by Mrs. Geo. Jessie.

Frank Lindsay, a well-known contractor, and a leader in Masonic circles, died Tuesday at his home in North Senate avenue, after only three days illness. He leaves a wife and son.

A farewell reception, under the special direction of the trustees of Bethel A. M. E. church, was given the Rev. C. W. Newton, at the parsonage, Thursday evening, Willis Kersey directed the affair.

The Woman's Mite Missionary Society of St. Paul Temple, was entertained at the church parsonage, 2434 Baltimore avenue, Wednesday, Dec. 12, from 2:30 to 10 p m. Mrs A. Farmer read a paper on home missions.

Qurterly meeting at St. Paul A. M. E. Temple to-morrow. Rev. M. Lewis P. E., will conduct services. Rev. E. L Gilliam of Simpson Chapel will preach at 3 p m. A cordial invitation is extended to pastors and their congregations.

The Y. M. C. A. Prayer Band's service at Mt. Zion Baptist church was well attended. The Rev. J. Harris presided. The band will meet to-morrow at the Second Christian church. S G. Givens is president, R. J. Person secretary

The Rev. Hurley has organized a Woman's Galveston Relief Club, with twenty-five members. At its meeting at Allen Chapel, last Monday afternoon, it was reported that clothing and provisions sufficient to make a creditable shipment were on hand, and will be forwarded this week.

The executive boards of the Indiana General Baptist Association, the Eastern Indiana Baptist Association and the Baptist State Sunday-school Association held joint sessions at the Second Baptist Church last Tuesday week. The sessions were open to the public at night. The women of the church served dinner at the church to the visiting ministers.

Gibson Lodge, United Brothers of Friendship, elected the following officers Monday night for the ensuing year: Worthy master, James Pittman; door master, Robert Durrett; financial secretary, Abram Burris; recording secretary, Eugene Baker; treasurer, W. R. Boyd; trustees, James Primus, Louis Baker, William Thompkins; senior marshal, Earthen Pittman, Jr., marshal, James Tansey; senior commander, Jacob Smith; chaplain, Andrew Jackson; inner sentinel, Louis Logan, outer sentinel, H. McCloudy.

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The Buffalo's Meet.

Members of the Buffalo's Lodge met in their club rooms in Indiana Ave., Monday evening of this week and held their annual election of officers at which the following persons were elected: Mike Wells, prelate; Charles Love, vice prelate; Chaplin Carter, financial secretary; Adam Miller, chaplain; Archie Greathouse, treasurer. The lodge was found in a healthy condition. Chaplin Carter, Sect. Address 220 Indiana-Ave.

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Complait to quiet title

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 10th day of December, 1900, the above named plaintiffs, by their attorneys, filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion County, in the State of Indiana, their complaint against the above named defendants and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidait of a competent person, showing that the residence of the said defendants Hiram A. Richardson the unknown heirs of Hiram A. Richardson deceased, Polly Ann Richardson and the unknown heirs of Polly Ann Richardson deceased is unknown and upon diligent inquiry cannot be ascertained and they are believed to be non-residents of the State of Indiana; that said action is to quiet title to real estate in said county and state and the said defendants and each of them are necessary parties thereto and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said Court, and answer or demur thereto on the 15th day of February, 1901.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said Court, said defendants last above named are hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against them and that unless they appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 15th day of February, 1901, the same being the 11th judicial day of a term of said Court, to be begun and held at the Court House in the City of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in February, 1901, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in their absence. GEORGE B. ELLIOTT, Clerk.

A. L. Ogg, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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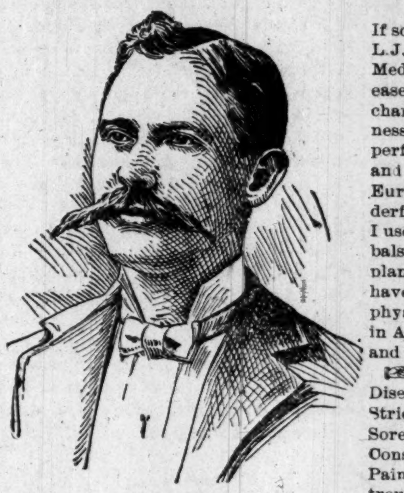

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